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Sent: Wednesday, June 25, 2014 3:27 PM
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Cc: Koch, Kristine; Katy Weil; THIESSEN Kenneth
Subject: RE: Willamette Cove source control

Hi Barbara,

DEQ has required the Port of Portland and Metro to conduct extensive upland soil sampling at the Willamette Cove site. This effort has primarily been riverbank and upland soils. Besides ecological receptors, the DEQ risk evaluation considers a range of potential human exposures including use of the site by recreation users and the houseless community. Contaminant levels in the riverbank and uplands exceed risk-based levels. The Port and Metro are planning to conduct an large soil removal of upland soils this summer/fall with riverbank work to follow the next field season.

As part of the upland source control assessment, DEQ required the Port and Metro to conduct screening level sampling of the beach, which was subsequently evaluated by the Oregon Health Authority. Follow-up investigation and cleanup of the Willamette Cove beach areas falls under EPA's jurisdiction as the lead agency for the Portland Harbor sediment investigation and cleanup.

I understand that Katy Weil has been in touch with you about your questions. If you still have questions, please send an e-mail to Ken Thiessen, who is the DEQ Cleanup Program project manager for the upland part of the Willamette Cove site. Ken is out of the office, but should be back in tomorrow.

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From: Barbara Quinn [mailto:barbaraqnn718@gmail.com]
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To: MCCLINCY Matt
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Matt,

There was a discussion at the Portland Harbor Community Coalition about why there has not been more extensive testing of the land at Willamette Cove to find out how contaminated it is and what it's status is as an upland contaminant source.

According to PHCC reps the Oregon Health Authority is asking for more detailed testing due to campers and public use of the property in spite of signage.

Has the testing of the site taken into account it's actual uses rather than it's desired non-use?

thanks, Barbara Quinn
Portland Harbor Community Advisory Group